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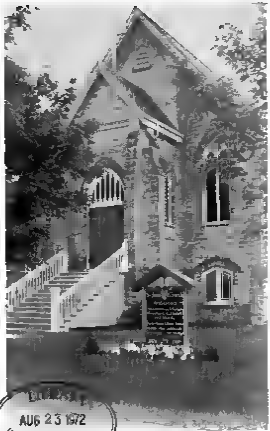

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The Bishop's Message

The Congregation of
St. John's Church,
Glenelg, Ontario

My Dear Friends

It is a pleasure to write a word of congratulations and good wishes for your Centennial Booklet. I have only known you as a church and congregation through the last quarter of a century, but all that I know of you has been to your credit and has caused me to admire you as a congregation, because of the Christian spirit that manifestes you. gives you a deep sense of unity and moves you both along the pathway of missionary service and of recruitment for the ministry

I pray that your days of celebration and thanksgiving may be very happy ones, with an ingathering of former members of the congregation, and the rededication of yourselves for the new century of unity and service ahead.

May God give to all of you His blessings of Church and family and home

Sincerely

George Huron
Bishop of Huron

The Rector's Message

At this point in the history of St. John's Church, Glencoe, I have been the rector for nine months. It has been a busy and exciting period as together with the Centennial committee the History Committee and all co-operating groups and individuals we have reached this memorable occasion of the 100th Birthday Celebration of St. John's Church, Glencoe.

Many fine men have served as ministers to St. John's. Many fine men and women have worked hand in hand with them through the hard times, and the good times of the past 100 years. Their lives of dedicated Christian action and support are remembered now. We who carry on into the next 100 years of St. John's, are left with a real challenge. It is with thankful hearts and renewed vigor that we carry on the business of our blessed Lord Jesus Christ in St. John's in the community and in our total outreach in missionary endeavour.

I thank Almighty God that I am blessed with the privilege of serving Him as the rector of St. John's Church, Glencoe at this time. I pray that guided by the Holy Spirit, we shall go from strength to strength doing "His Will" and "His Works" in the years that lie ahead.

Sincerely

Richard H. Aurora

History of St John's Church

Many years ago when Glencoe and its vicinity was just a swamp with miles of uncultivated land, and the log houses of those first settlers were scattered at wide intervals apart, a man might be seen Sunday after Sunday forging his way on horseback up to the door of an old farm house. He was a large heavily built man so that the small horse on which he rode, must many a time, have floundered in the marsh or stumbled on the rough road. The man never faltered in his mission, for inside that farm house a group of earnest men, women and children eagerly awaited his coming.

REV JOHN GUNNE 1796 — 1809

This man was the Rev John Gunne, an Irishman, who was one of four missionaries sent out from the motherland about the year 1796 for the purpose of preaching the Gospel of Christ and establishing the services of the English Church. The field of labour assigned to these four men extended from London, on the east to the St. Clair and Detroit rivers, on the west. Mr Gunne ministered to the people of the districts of Florence, Bothwell, Wardsville, Newbury and Glencoe. That involved not only preaching the gospel, conducting weddings, baptisms and funeral services, but also the educational and legal problems of the times. He acted as superintendent of schools, examiner of schools, as family doctor, lawyer solicitor and conveyancer.

The aforementioned house in which all the services of the Episcopal Church were held, for Glencoe and vicinity was that of John Walker father of the late John S. and Mark Walker and grandfather of the late Isaac Walker. The house was situated a short distance west of Mr Moss' residence on the north side of the railroad tracks. The late Mr Walker was ever known as an earnest and zealous supporter of the Episcopal Church. His door was always open, his table spread and a hearty welcome was extended to every true minister of the gospel.

At the time that Mr Gunne ministered to the people of this district the Diocese of Toronto embraced all that territory from Toronto westward and was under the charge of Bishop Strachan. In 1857 the Diocese of Huron, as it now stands, was set apart, under the Episcopate of the Bishop Cronyn

Mr Gunne remained in charge of his five parishes until 1809.

REV CLOTWORTHY 1859 — 1861

By the time Mr Clotworthy became rector the local conditions were much improved The railroad was built, and there was some attempt at road making. The rolling was not quite the slow laborious task it had been. Mr Clotworthy gave up his ministry after a short period of two years.

REV SOIL WRIGHT 1861 — 1873

Soon after Mr Wright's appointment in 1861, steps were taken towards the erection of a building that would serve as a place of worship. A frame school house, (the land was given by the late Nathaniel Currie) was built, furnished and presented to the town by the late A. P McDonald and his partner Randolph Rees. This school house served a double purpose — an institution for learning during the week, and a place of worship on the Sabbath. The donors stipulated that all protestant denominations should be allowed to hold services there, without favour or partiality

It was not until the year 1900 that the first church of England, the little old St. John's was built. There must have been much determination and love for the cause, for such an achievement to be contrived and carried out. The house known as Glen Hill owned by the late A. P McDonald was thrown open and the host and hostess made all welcome. This house is now the home of Mr and Mrs W D J Moon A house was given there at which a famous quilt made by the ladies brought a good price There was also a supper followed by one of the old time concerts. The combined efforts of all as well as with voluntary subscriptions the whole amount of three thousand dollars was raised and the little church was free from debt, it was considered a very commodious and handsome structure it was situated on the same lot as the present church but closer to Main and Cucconine Streets corner The land and also the bell were gifts from A. P McDonald.

In 1870 a change was made in the organization of the united parishes Bothwell and Thamesville were united, leaving the parishes of Wardsville Newbury and Glencoe together

Mr Wright resigned as rector in 1873 He was succeeded by the following several clergy Rev Geo. Wyse, who ministered until 1876. His successor Rev Rev Wm. Hynde remained only one year In 1876, The Rev W J Taylor became rector until 1888.

REV WM. LEWIS 1888 — 1895

Mr Lewis resided in Wardle for until 1892, when Clarence was separated from Wardsville and Newbury and united with Appin. Clarence then had a resident minister

Another important event in Mr. Lewis's time was the building of a new church. The old church was somewhat out of repair and was thought to be neither large enough nor suitable for its growing congregation. The ambitious movement of building a new and handsome church was unanimously agreed upon.

A building committee, consisting of Mr Lumley Richard Coad, George M. Harrison George Parrott John Simpson, John Gilchrist W. S. Rogers and N. F. Currie was formed. Under their supervision work commenced. The estimated cost of the new St. John's amounted over $6,000.00. As it was impossible to raise the whole amount at once a mortgage of $4,000.00 was placed as a debt upon the church.

The building of the church was finished in 1888 but there was still much to be thought of. The organ had not been arranged for and it was hardly considered advisable to undertake any extra expense, at that time However owing to the personal efforts of Mrs W. D. Moss, who herself collected the money a handsome pipe organ was bought and paid for and installed by the time the church was opened.

As time went on, many contributions were made towards furnishings and beautifying the building. The white walls were decorated a handsome oak table supplanted the old one, and a brass bedrail in memory of Queen Victoria was added. The choir which was placed near the reading desk was a personal gift from the Rev and Mrs Dymond.

Mr Lewis resigned in 1895, to be succeeded by the following clergy. Rev George Hillier, the Rev C C Purton, the Rev R. W Hughes the Rev Maurice Fitzmaurice Duff-Gordon, the Rev Ernest Dymond

REV R. LEE 1900 — 1912

It was during the last year of Mr Lee's ministry that a final effort was made to clear the debt. Various methods were resorted to, such as bazaars, tea meals, concerts talent teas etc. Year by year the mortgage was gradually reduced Again Mrs. Moss was an active

ST JOHN'S CHURCH
COMPLETED IN 1913

worker and collector The combinations gave liberally and the mortgage was paid.

Mr Lee resigned in 1912.

REV C H P GWEIN 1912 — 1918

Soon after Mr Gwein's arrival in February 1912 St. John's Church was consecrated The late Messrs John Oldrieve and Isaac Walker were the wardens at this time At 3.30 o'clock a high tea an X was called then, was served to members of the congregation, visitors and clergy This was followed by speeches. At eight o'clock the congregation and clergy withdrew to the church where the consecration took pla e The late Bishop Williams preached an eloquent sermon from the text "This is the House of the Lord." He spoke of men, as essentially a religious being. Worship, he said, is a necessity in life and the churches and temples which in all ages have been erected are material evidences of man's faith in his Creator The strong nations are the nations, to whom religion is a living truth, while materialism alone means death. In conclusion he left his hearers with these words of advice "Be loyal to Christ, Be brave soldier Be Missionary."

For some years the rectory was located on Concession Street, the house now owned by Mr and Mrs Kelt, Hymeod. The church now being free of debt, plans were made for the purchase of a rectory It happened at that time, the estate of the late John McNeil was being settled. The house that is now the present rectory was offered for sale One of the faithful members of the church, Mr Thomas Strong, loaned the money $1,000.00 and asked only for the interest as long as he lived. This was paid by the Ladies Guild. At his death, the rectory became church property Mr Strong also left money for the beautiful memorial window at the back of the church.

In April 1913, one of the faithful members, Mrs Ruth Pedgety passed away after one week's illness She was the daughter of the late Mr and Mrs. John Oldrieve. One of the brass offering plates is in her memory and the other plate is in memory of the departed members of the family.

Two years later in June the congregation was again startled to hear of the sudden passing of Mrs. Moss. She had been organist for many years One Sunday morning after singing in the choir she took

ill and passed away suddenly The beautiful window at the front of the church was placed there in her memory by friends and fellow worshippers.

In 1915 Mrs. Owen organized a Women's Auxiliary in connection with the Ladies' Guild Later the Women's Auxiliary became a separate organization holding meetings once a month, as it does at present. The Ladies Guild was responsible for the upkeep of the rectory

Miss Ruth Owen organized the Junior Auxiliary

Mr Owen resigned in 1918.

REV T J CHARLTON 1918 — 1928

The congregation in Appin had now become so small that the church was closed. This church was located on the corner of the Appin Road and Main Street Appin The Appin members then attended Glencoe Church

In 1920 a reading desk was given as a memorial from the Blackburn family in memory of Miss Emily Blackburn.

Mr Charlton resigned in 1922, and was followed by the Revds. Wm. William T Elkk, and J Atkinson.

In 1927 the altar table was presented by Mrs. J. E. Roome and was dedicated in memory of her husband, Glencoe was now united with Wardsville and Newbury

REV GEORGE MOORE 1928 — 1934

During his tenure, a glass cruet was dedicated in memory of Mr John Tait, a faithful member of the choir Mr Moore remained through the difficult years of the depression, keeping the church alive

REV W R CUNNINGHAM 1935 — 1946

By the time Mr Cunningham arrived the church and parish hall were badly in need of decoration In 1936 money was still scarce but the task was accomplished by many volunteer members of the congregation. At the same time, a hardwood floor was laid in the chancel, with money left by Mrs Roome The church flag and Union Jack were dedicated and placed in the archway of the chancel. The Revedos came from St. James Church, Wardsville

Mr Cunningham resigned in 1946.

REV J. JAMES 1940 — 1941

Mr James remained the rector for one year and then enlisted as an R.C.A.F. instructor and then as a chaplain in world war II.

REV R. M. WEEKES 1941 — 1956

In 1942, Mr Weekes dedicated the Altar Cross, which was given in memory of the Blackburn family. Mrs. Weekes reorganized the "Little Helpers". The parish hall was redecorated. The Young Women's Group was organized during the last year of Mr Weeke's ministry. This group of very fine workers did much towards the improvement of our church. Besides giving many donations, they remodelled and equipped the kitchen. They also renovated a room which had not been used for some years, to be used as a committee room.

In 1950, one of our faithful members, Mr Peter Lourenson passed away. He left the church one thousand dollars stipulating that one hundred dollars be spent each year for ten years. The silver bread box was dedicated in his memory in 1951.

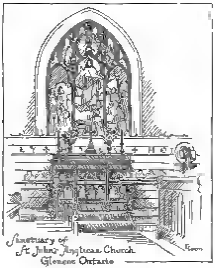
REV WM. HEWELL. 1956 — 1958

By the time Mr Sewell arrived the Wardsville church had been closed for some years and was eventually torn down. The few remaining worshippers held services in the Presbyterian Church. However the members became so few that the services were discontinued leaving only Glencoe and Newbury together.

It was during Mr Sewell's time that we learned that the church tower was condemned and that it should be taken down. With many regrets and much sorrow this was done. With its removal we lost the church bell, which had summoned worshippers to God's House for over eighty years. The parish hall was redecorated and a washroom installed.

Mrs. Williams presented the church with a new heating system in 1958 and it was dedicated in memory of her husband, Mr John Williams. A plaque indicating the dedication is on the south wall of the nave.

During Mr Sewell's time the men of the church organized a brotherhood group known as the A.M.S.A. club (Anglican men in action). Mr E. A. Mayhew was the first president. Later the group was to become a local chapter of the Diocese of Huron B.C.A.C. (Brotherhood of Anglican Churchmen). As time went on more and



This sketch of the sanctuary was made by Miss Currie of St. Thomas.

more men were wearing the Shield of St. George, which identified them as a member of the B.O.A.F.

REV JAMES WARING 1951 — 1956

During Mr Waring's tenure, the church was redecorated, the floors sanded and new carpet was laid. A set of book marks in colours to match the hangings was a gift of Miss Mide Elliott of Detroit. Two beautiful altar cloths were also gifts — one the work of Mrs R. M. Weekes, the other of Mrs. Rose. Gifts to the Sunday School, included six robins and several chairs purchased from money left by Mr J. N. Currie. A projector and screen were gifts from Mrs.

E. A. Mayhew and Sunday School offering plates were given by the the late Mr Parke

The Girls Auxiliary was organized.

Mr Waring resigned in 1956.

REV R. C. WARD 1956 — 1960

Mr Ward encouraged an active A.Y.P.A. The Sunday School processional cross was a gift from Richard Mills and his son Walter. The brass candlesticks were a gift from the Young Women's Group

In April 1957 the Brotherhood assumed the responsibility of publishing the first "Church Messenger" a monthly issue, to inform the readers of the activities of the various church organizations.

The serving of dinners to the Rotary Club by three groups of the Young Women's Groups and the Ladies Guild continued each Thursday. Equipment was purchased for the kitchen and with assistance from the Newbury Guild, necessary items for the pantry. At this time there was an active "Girls' Auxiliary" "Junior W.A." and "Little Helpers."

In September 1957 the choir and congregation remained after church to present a gift to Mrs Blackstock who retired after many years of faithful service as organist. Her duties were taken over by one of our own girls Mrs Frank Dill, daughter of Mrs. Savil Simpson and the late Mr Simpson

In the same fall a cub pack was formed and sponsored by the Young Women's Group. This included boys of 8 to 12 years from all denominations. This is still an active group.

An Every Member canvass of the congregation was made in October 1957

In 1958 the congregation welcomed a new member Mrs. Richard Mills a graduate of the Anglican Womens Training College Toronto

Two pieces of furniture were placed in St. John's church, Mr and Mrs A. [illegible] Burdon made the gift of a coat rack in memory of their son, Mr. Richard Mills presented book shelves.

The Young Womens Group held an first Garden Fete in June, which has been an annual event since. The purpose of this was a social gathering of the church families and friends. Gaily decorated booths of the various organizations were added features and supper

was served on the lawn, when weather permitted

A Server's Guild of ten boys was formed The Chancel Guild was reorganised with eight members. There are now twelve The services of these groups are much appreciated by the congregation every Sunday

In July 1968, a Building Committee and a Finance Committee were set up in relationship to a new proposed addition to the rectory With voluntary help, finance(s) assistance from the various church groups, the Ramsey estate the Newbury parish and members donations, the work proceeded The kitchen was torn down, and a new one story wing built also a new bathroom installed upstairs. The job was almost completed at the end of 1968. In February 1969, "Open House" was held where the parishioners could see what had been accomplished. By August 1969 all costs in connection with the building were paid (approximately $8,300.00)

In January 1969, a Sweet Teens was formed — sponsored by the Brotherhood This included boys of ages 14 to 17 years from all denominations. This too is still an active organization. Space does not permit us to mention the names of all the faithful leaders and helpers from all denominations

In the early fall, a Junior Choir of children ten years and over was formed The envelope system came into use in the Sunday School.

In connection with the Every Member canvass, it was decided to join the Sector project. The results were very rewarding, not only financially but in the spirit of good will and fellowship.

A Girl Guide company was sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary replacing the Girls Auxiliary This included girls 12 years and over from all denominations This company is still active and have had many fine leaders. The Jr W.A and "Little Helpers" continued

Presentations to the church were two Hymn Boards from Richard Mills and his son Walter A brass processional cross was given by Mrs Edith Williams.

In February 1964, a brass plaque was dedicated in memory of the late Mr and Mrs. Isaac Walker This was a gift from their cousin, Mrs Wood and the Ladies' Guild.

The new Prayer Book came into use

In the same year four men from our parish were preparing for the ministry they were Grant Ward Arthur Lloyd David Ward

and Walter Mills. The Young Women's Group presented each of them with a yearly "twenty-five dollar book grant.

The church chimneys were repaired, and the parish Hall and vestry were decorated

The year 1966 marked the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Woman's Auxiliary in Canada. A number of our W.A. members attended the Dorcenia Annual M St. Paul's Cathedral London. Approx imately one thousand women attended the communion service.

Two brass vases were given by Mrs. Stanton Winkle, and dedicated in memory of her father Mr Dennis O'Brien.

On October 1st, St John's Woman's Auxiliary presented Mrs Ward with a Diocesan Life Membership and pin

In May 1967, Mr Arthur Lloyd, the first of our four men studying for the ministry was made a Deacon in St John's Church by the Rt. Rev W. H. H. Crump, Bishop of Saskatchewan Before leaving to serve at Meadow Lake Sask. The Rev and Mrs. Lloyd and family were presented with gifts.

The new entrance to the rectory was completed, the trim on the outside of the church was painted, and the kitchen in the parish hall was decorated.

August 3rd, 1968, Christ Church Newbery observed its centennial. The congregation and choir of St. John's joined them at their Sunday services The Archbishop of Canterbury the Most Rev A. M. Ramsey was present and several of the past clergy took part.

The Young Women's Group adopted a Viet Namese child, under the "Foster Parents' plan."

A Brownie pack was organized in St. John's. This included girls of all denominations, age 8 to 11 years and was sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary replacing the Jr. W. A. This group remains very active.

Grant Ward son of the Rev E. C. Ward and Mrs. Ward was made a Deacon in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, Ont. on May 17th 1964.

The Ladies Guild expressed its appreciation to Mr. Percy Wall for his generous contribution of the new cement step at the front of the rectory

The year 1968 marked the 50th anniversary of St. John's Woman's Auxiliary

A beautiful set of white hangings was donated to St. John's

by the Chancel Guild. These were dedicated at the Easter service. Mrs Sadie Mayhew also donated a beautiful Altar cloth.

The brick on the rectory were sand blasted. The Ladies Guild was responsible for painting the trim on the rectory. Iron railings and porch lights.

"The Young Woman's Group" was changed to "Evening Fellowship."

The Outside Christmas Scene; "The Open Bible with the Christmas Story" was given by Mr Ted Tait, Mr Richard Mills, and Mr Douglas McRae. The scene is kept lit throughout each Christmas season.

In 1966 Alvinston and Inwood were added to the Glencoe and Newbury charge. The Inwood church was closed and the congregation worshipped with the Alvinston congregation. St. John's, Glencoe, received a gift of communion vessels from Inwood.

The "Evening Fellowship Group" purchased three stacking tables.

On May 22nd an impressive service was held in St John's when David Ward and Walter Mills were made Deacons by the Rt. Rev. H. P. Appleyard, Bishop of Georgian Bay. The rector Rev. E. C. Ward, and father of David presented the sermons. Other clergy assisted in the service. Following the service lunch was served in the parish hall. The ministers from the local churches were present and spoke briefly. Stoles were presented to each of the candidates. There was an estimated attendance of four hundred.

In June 1967 at the Anniversary service, a plaque bearing the names of six men who have entered the ministry from St. John's was dedicated by the Rev. Lionel Nelles, secretary-treasurer of the Diocese of Huron. The plaque was the gift of Mr and Mrs. Richard Mills and bore the following names: Ronald Ralfeed, Henry Charlton, Arthur Lloyd, Grant Ward, Walter Mills and David Ward.

The arms on the church was erected and dedicated

The "Woman's Auxiliary" became the Anglican Church Women.

The Canadian flag was purchased and hung in the church.

In June, 1968, our rector the Rev E. C. Ward, who had served the parish for over eleven years, resigned

REV R. H. ANSONS 1968 —

Mr Ward was followed by the Rev R. H. Ansons, During the

summer months, the rectory was redecorated, new carpets laid and aluminium storm windows and door installed. This was made possible by much volunteer labour from each of the congregations together and generous donations. The storm windows and door were the gift of an anonymous donor.

A new church sign was built and erected to replace the old one.

In February 1968, Mr and Mrs. Ackland held "Open House" at the rectory.

A meeting of the "Centennial Committee" and the Board of Management was held to discuss and decide upon certain projects which should be accomplished during 1969. It was decided that the interior of the church be completely cleaned and redecorated by professional people.

The front part of the Chancel was extended out on both sides of the church; and the pulpit so arranged as to be more sturdy and convenient.

The Sunday School

St. John's Sunday School continues its good work for the young under the capable leadership of Mr Rev McGuire, the Sunday School Superintendent. His staff of teachers consists of the following people:

Mrs. Rev McGuire	Miss Mary Bygrave
Mr Alvin Westgate	Miss Marion Dill
Miss Louise Westgate	Mrs. Doug Simpson

1969 Confirmation Class

On Sunday April 27th the following people were Confirmed by the Right Reverend George N Luxton, the Lord Bishop of Huron.

Gary Douglas Thorne	Lorraine Katherine Smart
Bradford James Keating	Bonnie Lorraine Abbott
William David Kemp	Joyce Irene Anderson
Keith Alyn Kemp	Pauline Ansell
Robert Malcolm McNaughton	Mary Elizabeth Weakley
Thomas Hugh McNaughton	Mary Lorraine Simpson
David Charles Nelles	Sheila Ann Simpson
James Scott Wilks	Crystal Lynn Thompson
Ruth Ann McGuire	Cheryl Ann Thompson

The Centennial Committee

Mr Stewart Simpson — People's Warden
Mr A D Berdan — Rector's Warden
Mr Jim Cunningham — Lay Reader
Mr Vern Nelms

Added to the comm ttee were the presidents of the organizations

Mr Alvin Westgate — President of R.C.A.C.
Mrs Ina Nelms — President of A.C.W
Mrs. Barbara Wills — President of Evening Fellowship
Mrs Ann Westgate — President of Altar Guild
Mrs William Moss — President of Ladies Guild

The History Committee

Mrs. Bert Simpson, who spent many hours in research in order to write the history of the parish.

Mrs Ralph Cooper and Mr William Moss who assisted in the arranging and proofreading of the history.

The History Committee is grateful to Mrs Lillian Washburn for all the typing done in preparation of the manuscript

Church Officers 1969

Rector's Warden	Mr A. D Berdan
People's Warden	Mr Stewart Simpson
Vestry Clerk	Mr Paul Westgate
Treasurer	Mrs Mary Mills
Lay Delegates to Synod	Mrs Mary Mills
	Mr Norman Legg
Sub. Delegates	Mr Ernest Shewfelt
	Mrs. Ralph Cooper
Board of Management	Mr J Cunningham,
	Mr Fred" Mayhew Mr V Nelms,
	Mr John Livingston, Mr Alvin
	Kenny, Mr "Bud" Wills, Mr Paul
	Westgate.

The Sanctuary of St John's Church — 1969

Church Organizations, 1969

Chancel Guild	President, Mrs. F. Westgate
Church School	Superintendent, Mr. E. McGuire
Brotherhood of Anglican Churchmen	President, Mr. A. Wenzlow
Anglican Church Women	President, Mrs. V. Nelms
Evening Fellowship	President, Mrs. J. Wills
Ladies Guild	President, Mrs. W. Moss
Choir	Choir Mistress, Mrs. S. Simpson
Organist	Mrs. Frank Hill

Honour Roll of St. John's Church

1914 1918

Sgt. John Tait	Pte. H. F. Liddington
Cpl. Alfred Bettse	Pte R. G. Lovell
Sgt. F. H. C Bulleid	Pte Chas. Males
Pte. Edwin Biddles	Pte. J. R. Marshall.
Pte Ralph Biddles	Pte. Geo. McCracken
Pte. F. S. Brumhead	Pte Thos. Sheen
Pte. H. G. Cavalier	Pte John Spurling
Pte George Cobbe	Pte C. W Smith
Pte Wm. Furman	Pte Thomas Thorne
Pte H. Golding	Pte Thos. Harper
Pte Harry Hallstone	Pte W J Newman
Pte. Wm C. Tarren	Pte E. T Newman
Pte. A. W Hopkins	Pte. F C. Smith
Gunner Sydney Hudson	Gunner Lewis Baigely
Pte. Stephen Johnson	Gunner Harry S. Moss
Pte Harry Keeling	C.S.N.R. Frank Silliett

1939 1945

Pte Glen Clark	Pte David W. Parke
Pte Thomas W Blanchard	Pte. Richard H. Plaskett
Pte L. W. R. Fresle	Pte. Harold Pinkbell
Pte Wm C. Ford	Pte. Thomas R. Sleeuker
Pte. R. E. Morgan Fresle	Pte Howard F Shawker
Doris K Godley R.N	Pte. Douglas F Simpson
Pte. Rev J. H. Jones	Pte. Ernest E. Shawker
Pte Robt. H. Millar	Pte Barnes C Wilson
Pte. Kenneth B Millar	Pte Harvey F Walker
Pte. Campbell E. Millar	Capt. Lewis Baigely
Pte. Ernest Simpson	

The Clergy Who Served

Reverend John Gamon	1800	1809
Reverend Clotworthy	1809	1809
Reverend Joel Wright	1809	1873
Reverend Geo Wyse	1873	1878
Reverend Wm. Rymer	1878	1880
Reverend W J Taylor	1880	1885
Reverend Wm. Lowe	1885	1890
Reverend George Elliott	1890	1900
Reverend C. C. Parton	1900	1900
Reverend E. W Hughes	1900	1900
Reverend Maurice Fitzmaurice Duff-Scobie	1900	1900
Reverend Canon Rymond	1904	1908
Reverend E. Lee	1908	1912
Reverend C H. F Owen	1912	1930
Reverend T J. Charlton	1930	1932
Reverend Wm. Williams	1888	1889
Reverend T Hicks	1895	1898
Reverend J Atkinson	1898	1898
Reverend George Moore	1898	1898
Reverend W S Cunningham	1898	1900
Reverend J. James	1900	1900
Reverend R. M Weekes	1901	1920
Reverend Wm. Sewell	1920	1920
Reverend James Waring	1920	1925
Reverend E. C Ward	1926	1926
Reverend R. H. Adams	1926	—

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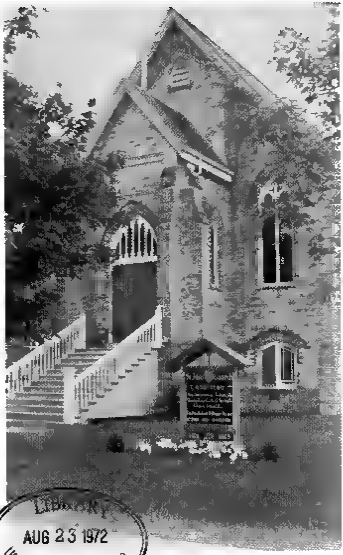

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Bishop of Huron

The Rector's Message

At this point in the history of St. John's Church Glencoe I have been the rector for nine months It has been a busy and exciting period as together with the Centennial Committee the History Committee, and all co-operating groups and individuals we have reached this memorable occasion of the 100th Birthday Celebration of St. John's Church, Glencoe

Many fine men have served as ministers to St. John's Many fine men and women have worked hand in hand with them through the hard times, and the good times of the past 100 years Their lives of dedicated Christian action and support are remembered now We who carry on into the next 100 years of St. John's, are left with a real challenge It is with thankful hearts and renewed vigor that we carry on the business of our blessed Lord Jesus Christ in St. John's in the community and in our total outreach in missionary endeavour

I thank Almighty God that I am blessed with the privilege of serving Him as the rector of St John's Church, Glencoe at this time. I pray that guided by the Holy Spirit, we shall go from strength to strength doing "His Will" and "His Works" in the years that lie ahead.

Sincerely

Richard H Antons

History of St. John's Church

Many years ago when Glencoe and its vicinity was just a swamp with miles of uncultivated land and the log houses of those first settlers were scattered at wide intervals apart a man might be seen Sunday after Sunday forging his way on horseback up to the door of an old farm house. He was a large heavily built man, so that the small horse on which he rode must many a time have floundered in the marsh as stumbled on the rough road. The man never faltered in his mission, for inside that farm house a group of earnest men, women and children eagerly awaited his coming.

REV JOHN GUNNE 1846 — 1859

This man was the Rev John Gunne an Irishman, who was one of four missionaries sent out from the motherland about the year 1846, for the purpose of preaching the Gospel of Christ and establishing the services of the English Church The field of labour assigned to these four men extended from London, on the east to the St Clair and Detroit rivers, on the west. Mr Gunne ministered to the people of the districts of Florence Rothwell, Wardsville Newbury and Glencoe This involved not only preaching the gospel conducting weddings baptism and funeral services, but also the educational and legal problems of the times He acted as superintendent of schools, examiner of schools, as family doctor lawyer solicitor and conveyancer

The aforementioned house in which all the services of the Episcopal Church were held for Glencoe and vicinity was that of John Walker father of the late John S and Mark Walker and grand father of the late Isaac Walker The house was situated a short distance west of Mr Moss' residence on the north side of the railroad tracks The late Mr Walker was ever known as an earnest and zealous supporter of the Episcopal Church. His door was always open, his table spread and a hearty welcome was extended to every true minister of the gospel

At the time that Mr Gunne ministered to the people of this district, the Diocese of Toronto embraced all that territory from Toronto westward and was under the charge of Bishop Strachan In 1857 the Diocese of Huron as it now stands was set apart, under the Episcopate of the Bishop Cronyn.

Mr Gunne remained in charge of his five parishes until 1859

REV CLOTWORTHY 1859 — 1861

By the time Mr Clotworthy became rector the local conditions were much improved. The railroad was built, and there was some attempt at road making. Travelling was not quite the slow laborious task it had been. Mr Clotworthy gave up his ministry after a short period of two years.

REV JOEL WRIGHT 1861 — 1873

Soon after Mr Wright's appointment in 1861, steps were taken towards the erection of a building that would serve as a place of worship. A frame school house (the land was given by the late Nathaniel Curran) was built, furnished and presented to the town by the late A. P. McDonald and his partner Randolph Ross. This school house served a double purpose — an institution for learning during the week, and a place of worship on the Sabbath. The donors stipulated that all protestant denominations should be allowed to hold services there without favour or partiality.

It was not until the year 1869 that the first church of England, the little old St John's was built. There must have been much determination and love for the cause for such an achievement to be conceived and carried out. The house known as "Glen Hall" owned by the late A. P. McDonald was thrown open and the host and hostess made all welcome. This house is now the home of Mr and Mrs W. D. J. Moss. A bazaar was given there at which a famous quilt made by the ladies brought a good price. There was also a supper followed by one of the old time concerts. The combined efforts of all as well as with voluntary subscriptions the whole amount of three thousand dollars was raised and the little church was free from debt. It was considered a very commodious and handsome structure. It was situated on the same lot as the present church, but closer to Main and Concession Streets corner. The land and also the bell were gifts from A. P. McDonald.

In 1871 a change was made in the organization of the united parishes. Bothwell and Thamesville were united, leaving the parishes of Wardsville, Newbury and Glencoe together.

Mr Wright resigned as rector in 1873. He was succeeded by the following several clergy. Rev Geo. Wyse, who ministered until 1878. His successor The Rev. Wm. Hynde remained only one year. In 1879, The Rev. W. J. Taylor became rector until 1888.

REV. WM. LOWE 1888 — 1895

Mr Lowe resided in Wardsville until 1892, when Glencoe was separated from Wardsville and Newbury and united with Appin. Glencoe then had a resident minister

Another important event in Mr Lowe's time was the building of a new church. The old church was somewhat out of repair and was thought to be neither large enough nor suitable for its growing congregation. The ambitious movement of building a new and handsome church was unanimously agreed upon.

A building committee consisting of Dr Lumley Richard Coad, George M. Harrison, George Parrott John Simpson John Oldrieve W S Rogers and N F Currie was formed. Under their supervision work commenced. The estimated cost of the new St John's amounted over $6,000.00. As it was impossible to raise the whole amount at once a mortgage of $4,000.00 was placed as a debt upon the church

The building of the church was finished in 1893, but there was still much to be thought of The organ had not been arranged for and it was hardly considered advisable to undertake any extra expense at that time However owing to the personal efforts of Mrs. W D Moss who herself collected the money a handsome pipe organ was bought and paid for, and installed by the time the church was opened.

As time went on, many contributions were made towards furnishings and beautifying the building The white walls were decorated, a handsome oak table supplanted the old one and a brass lectern in memory of Queen Victoria was added. The chair which was placed near the reading desk was a personal gift from the Rev and Mrs. Dymond.

Mr Lowe resigned in 1895 to be succeeded by the following clergy Rev George Elliott, the Rev C C Parlow the Rev E W Hughes the Rev Maurice Fitzmaurice Duff-Gordon, the Rev Ernest Dymond

REV E. LEE 1906 — 1912

It was during the last year of Mr Lee's ministry that a final effort was made to clear the debt Various methods were resorted to, such as bazaars, tea socials, concerts talent teas, etc Year by year, the mortgage was gradually reduced Again Mrs Moss was an active

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH
COMPLETED IN 1893

worker and collector The contributors gave liberally and the mortgage was paid.

Mr Lee resigned in 1912.

REV C H P OWEN 1912 — 1918

Soon after Mr Owen's arrival in February 1912, St John's Church was consecrated The late Messrs. John Oldrieve and Isaac Walker were the wardens at this time. At 5 30 o clock a high tea, as it was called then was served to members of the congregation visitors and clergy This was followed by speeches. At eight o clock, the congregation and clergy withdrew to the church where the consecration took place. The late Bishop Williams preached an eloquent sermon from the text 'This is the House of the Lord' He spoke of man, as essentially a religious being Worship he said is a necessity to him and the churches and temples which in all ages have been erected are material evidences of man's faith in his Creator The strong nations are the nations to whom religion is a living truth while materialism alone means death. In conclusion he left his hearers with these words of advice 'Be loyal to Christ, Be harmonious Be Missionary"

For some years the rectory was located on Concession Street the house now owned by Mr and Mrs. Robt. Dymond The church now being free of debt plans were made for the purchase of a rectory It happened at that time the estate of the late John McNeil was being settled. The house that is now the present rectory was offered for sale One of the faithful members of the church, Mr Thomas Strong loaned the money $1 000 00 and asked only for the interest as long as he lived. This was paid by the Ladies' Guild. At his death, the rectory became church property Mr Strong also left money for the beautiful memorial window at the back of the church.

In April 1913 one of the faithful members, Mrs Ruth Dalgety passed away after one week s illness. She was the daughter of the late Mr and Mrs. John Oldrieve. One of the brass offering plates is in her memory and the other plate is in memory of the departed members of the Guild

Two years later, in June, the congregation was again startled to hear of the sudden passing of Mrs Moss She had been organist for many years One Sunday morning after singing in the choir she took

ill and passed away suddenly. The beautiful window at the front of the church was placed there in her memory by friends and fellow worshippers.

In 1915, Mrs. Owen organized a Woman's Auxiliary in conjunction with the Ladies Guild. Later the Women's Auxiliary became a separate organization holding meetings twice a month as it does at present. The Ladies' Guild was responsible for the upkeep of the rectory.

Miss Ruth Owen organized the Junior Auxiliary.

Mr. Owen resigned in 1918.

REV. T. J. CHARLTON 1918 — 1922

The congregation in Appin had now become so small that the church was closed. This church was located on the corner of the Appin Road and Main Street, Appin. The Appin members then attended Glenoe Church.

In 1919 a reading desk was given as a memorial from the Blackburn family in memory of Miss Emily Blackburn.

Mr. Charlton resigned in 1922 and was followed by the Revds. Wm. William T. Rick and J. Atkinson.

In 1927 the alms basin was presented by Mrs. J. E. Roome and was dedicated in memory of her husband. Glenoe was now united with Wardsville and Newbury.

REV. GEORGE MOORE 1930 — 1935

During his tenure a glass cruet was dedicated in memory of Mr. John Tait, a faithful member of the choir. Mr. Moore remained through the difficult years of the depression, keeping the church alive.

REV. W. B. CUNNINGHAM 1935 — 1940

By the time Mr. Cunningham arrived the church and parish hall were badly in need of decoration. In 1936 money was still scarce but the task was accomplished by many volunteer members of the congregation. At the same time a hardwood floor was laid in the chancel, with money left by Mrs. Roome. The church flag and Union Jack were dedicated and placed in the archway of the chancel. The Reredos came from St. James Church, Wardsville.

Mr. Cunningham resigned in 1940.

REV J. JAMES 1940 — 1941

Mr James remained the rector for one year and then enlisted as an R.C.A.F instructor and then as a chaplain in world war II

REV R. M. WEEKES 1941 — 1950

In 1942, Mr Weekes dedicated the Altar Cross which was given in memory of the Blackburn family Mrs Weekes reorganized the "Little Helpers." The parish hall was redecorated. The Young Women's Group was organized, during the last year of Mr Weeke's ministry This group of very fine workers did much towards the improvement of our church Besides giving many donations they remodalled and equipped the kitchen They also renovated a room which had not been used for some years to be used as a committee room

In 1950 one of our faithful members Mr Peter Loosemore passed away He left the church one thousand dollars stipulating that one hundred dollars be spent each year for ten years The silver bread box was dedicated in his memory in 1951

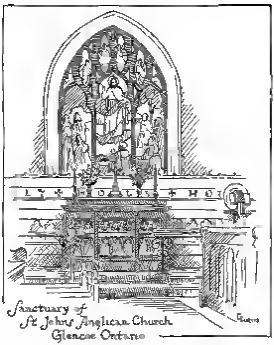
REV WM. SEWELL 1950 — 1953

By the time Mr Sewell arrived, the Wardsville church and hose closed for some years, and was eventually torn down The few remaining worshippers held services in the Presbyterian Church However the members became so few that the services were discontinued leaving only Glencoe and Newbury together

It was during Mr Sewell's time that we learned that the church tower was condemned and that it should be taken down With many regrets and much expense, this was done With its removal, we lost the church bell, which had summoned worshippers to God's House for over eighty years The parish hall was redecorated and a washroom installed.

Mrs Williams presented the church with a new heating system in 1953 and it was dedicated in memory of her husband, Mr John Williams. A plaque indicating the dedication is on the south wall of the nave.

During Mr Sewell's time, the men of the church organized a brotherhood group known as the "A.M.I.A" club (Anglican men in action) Mr E. A. Mayhew was the first president. Later the group was to become a local chapter of the Diocese of Huron R.O.A.C (Brotherhood of Anglican Churchmen) As time went on, more and



This sketch of the sanctuary was made by Miss Curtis of St Thomas

more men were wearing the Shield of St George which identified them as a member of the B O A C

REV JAMES WAKING 1953 — 1956

During Mr Waring's tenure, the church was redecorated, the floors sanded and new carpet was laid A set of book marks in colours to match the hangings was a gift of Miss Hilda Elliott of Detroit. Two beautiful altar cloths were also gifts — one the work of Mrs A. M Weekes the other of Mrs. Ross. Gifts to the Sunday School included six tables and several chairs purchased from money left by Mr J N Currie A projector and screen were gifts from Mrs.

E. A. Mayhew and Sunday School offering plates were given by the the late Mr Parke.

The Girls' Auxiliary was organized.

Mr Waring resigned in 1956.

REV. E. C. WARD 1956 — 1968

Mr Ward encouraged an active A.Y.P.A. The Sunday School processional cross was a gift from Richard Mills and his son Walter. The brass candlesticks were a gift from the Young Women's Group.

In April 1957 the Brotherhood assumed the responsibility of publishing the first "Church Messenger" a monthly issue to inform the readers of the activities of the various church organizations.

The serving of dinners to the Rotary Club by three groups of the Young Women's Group and the Ladies Guild continued each Thursday. Equipment was purchased for the kitchen and with assistance from the Newbury Guild necessary items for the rectory. At this time, there were an active "Girls Auxiliary", Junior W.A. and "Little Helpers".

In September 1957 the choir and congregation remained after church to present a gift to Mrs. Blacklock who retired after many years of faithful service as organist. Her duties were taken over by one of our own girls Mrs. Frank Dill, daughter of Mrs. Sayil Sumpson and the late Mr. Sumpson.

In the same fall, a cub pack was formed and sponsored by the Young Women's Group. This included boys of 8 to 12 years from all denominations. This is still an active group.

An Every Member canvass of the congregation was made in October 1957.

In 1958 the congregation welcomed a new member Mrs. Richard Mills a graduate of the Anglican Womens Training College Toronto.

Two pieces of furniture were placed in St. John's church, Mr and Mrs. A. D. Berdan made the gift of a coat rack in memory of their son Mr Richard Mills presented book shelves.

The Young Womens' Group held its first Garden Fete in June, which has been an annual event since. The purpose of this was a social gathering of the church families and friends. Gaily decorated booths of the various organizations were added features and supper

was served on the lawn, when weather permitted

A Server's Guild of ten boys was formed. The Chancel Guild was reorganized with eight members. There are now twelve. The services of these groups are much appreciated by the congregation every Sunday.

In July 1956, a Building Committee and a Finance Committee were set up in relationship to a new proposed addition to the rectory. With voluntary help, financial assistance from the various church groups, the Ramsey estate, the Newbury parish and member's donations, the work proceeded. The kitchen was torn down, and a new one-story wing built, also a new bathroom installed upstairs. The job was almost completed at the end of 1956. In February 1956 "Open House" was held when the parishioners could see what had been accomplished. By August 1956 all costs in connection with the building were paid (approximately $5,300.00).

In January 1959 a Scout Troop was formed — sponsored by the Brotherhood. This included boys of ages 12 to 17 years from all denominations. This too is still an active organization. Space does not permit us to mention the names of all the faithful leaders and helpers from all denominations.

In the early fall a Junior Choir of children ten years and over was formed. The envelope system came into use in the Sunday School.

In connection with the Every Member canvass, it was decided to join the Sector project. The results were very rewarding, not only financially but in the spirit of good-will and fellowship.

A Girl Guide company was sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary replacing the Girls' Auxiliary. This included girls 12 years and over from all denominations. This company is still active and have had many fine leaders. The Jr. W.A. and "Little Helpers" continued.

Presentations to the church were two Hymn Boards from Richard Mills and his son Walter. A brass processional cross was given by Mrs. Edith Williams.

In February 1961, a brass plaque was dedicated in memory of the late Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Walker. This was a gift from their cousin, Mrs. Wood, and the Ladies' Guild.

The new Prayer Book came into use.

In the same year four men from our parish were preparing for the ministry, they were: Grant Ward, Arthur Lloyd, David Ward

and Walter Mills. The Young Women's Group presented each of them with a yearly "twenty five dollar book grant."

The church chimneys were repaired, and the parish Hall and vestry were decorated.

The year 1962 marked the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Woman's Auxiliary in Canada. A number of our W.A. members attended the Diocesan Annual in St. Paul's Cathedral, London. Approximately one thousand women attended the communion service

Two brass vases were given by Mrs. Bernice Winkie and dedicated in memory of her father Mr Dennis O'Brian

On October 1st St. John's Women's Auxiliary presented Mrs Ward with a Diocesan Life Membership and pin.

In May 1963 Mr Arthur Lloyd the first of our four now studying for the ministry was made a Deacon in St. John's Church by the Rt. Rev W. H. H Crump Bishop of Saskatchewan Before leaving to serve at Meadow Lake Sask. The Rev and Mrs. Lloyd and family were presented with gifts

The new entrance to the rectory was completed the trim on the outside of the church was painted, and the kitchen in the parish hall was decorated.

August 3rd 1963 Christ Church, Newbury observed its centennial. The congregation and choir of St. John's joined them at their Sunday services. The Archbishop of Canterbury the Most Rev A. M. Ramsey was present and several of the past clergy took part

The Young Women's Group adopted a Viet Namese child, under the "Foster Parents plan."

A Brownie pack was organized in St. John's. This included girls of all denominations age 8 to 11 years and was sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary replacing the Jr. W. A. This group remains very active.

Grant Ward son of the Rev E. C Ward and Mrs Ward, was made a Deacon in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, Ont. on May 17th 1964

The Ladies' Guild expressed its appreciation to Mr Percy Wall for his generous contribution of the new cement step at the front of the rectory

The year 1965 marked the 50th anniversary of St. John's Woman's Auxiliary

A beautiful set of white hangings was donated to St. John's

by the Chancel Guild. These were dedicated at the Easter service. Mrs. Sadie Mayhew also donated a beautiful Altar cloth

The brick on the rectory were sand blasted. The Ladies Guild was responsible for painting the trim on the rectory fron railings and porch lights.

"The Young Weesee's Group" was changed to "Evening Fellowship."

The Outside Christmas Scene "The Open Bible, with the Christmas Story" was given by Mr Ted Tait, Mr Richard Mills and Mr Douglas McRae. The scene is kept lit throughout each Christmas season.

In 1966 Alvinston and Inwood were added to the Glencoe and Newbury charge. The Inwood church was closed and the congregation worshiped with the Alvinston congregation. St John's, Glencoe, received a gift of communion vessels from Inwood.

The "Evening Fellowship Group" purchased three stacking tables.

On May 22nd, an impressive service was held in St. John's when David Ward and Walter Mills were made Deacons by the Rt. Rev H F Appleyard Bishop of Georgian Bay. The rector Rev E. C. Ward, and father of David, preached the sermon. Other clergy assisted in the service. Following the service lunch was served in the parish hall. The ministers from the local churches were present and spoke briefly. Stoles were presented to each of the candidates. There was an estimated attendance of four hundred.

In June 1967 at the Anniversary service a plaque bearing the names of six men who have entered the ministry from St. John's was dedicated by the Rev. Lionel Nelles secretary treasurer of the Diocese of Huron. This plaque was the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mills and bore the following names: Ronald Bulteel, Henry Charlton, Arthur Lloyd Grant Ward, Walter Mills and David Ward.

The cross on the church was erected and dedicated.

The "Woman's Auxiliary" became the "Anglican Church Women."

The Canadian flag was purchased and hung in the church.

In June 1968, our rector the Rev E. C. Ward, who had served the parish for over eleven years, resigned.

REV R. H ANIONS 1968 —

Mr Ward was followed by the Rev B. H. Anions. During the

summer months the rectory was redecorated, new carpets laid and aluminium storm windows and door installed This was made possible by much volunteer labour from each of the congregations, legacies and generous donations The storm windows and door were the gift of an anonymous donor

A new church sign was built and erected to replace the old one.

In February 1969, Mr and Mrs Amons held 'Open House' at the rectory

A meeting of the 'Centennial Committee' and the Board of Management was held to discuss and decide upon certain projects which should be accomplished during 1968 It was decided that the interior of the church be completely cleaned and redecorated by professional people

The front part of the Chancel was extended out on both sides of the church and the pulpit so arranged as to be more sturdy and convenient.

The Sunday School

St. John's Sunday School continues its good work for the young under the capable leadership of Mr Bev McGuire, the Sunday School Superintendent His staff of teachers consists of the following people

Mrs. Bev McGuire	Miss Mary Dzyngel
Mr Alvin Westgate	Miss Marian Dill
Miss Louise Westgate	Mrs. Doug Simpson

1969 Confirmation Class

On Sunday, April 27th the following people were Confirmed by the Right Reverend George N Luxton the Lord Bishop of Huron

Gary Douglas Thorne	Lorraine Katherine Smart
Bradford James Keating	Bonnie Lorraine Abbott
William David Kemp	Joyce Irene Anderson
Keith Alyn Kemp	Pauline Amons
Robert Malcolm McNaughton	Mary Elizabeth Winship
Thomas Hugh McNaughton	Mary Lorraine Simpson
David Charles Nelson	Sheila Ann Simpson
James Scott Wills	Crystal Lynn Thompson
Ruth Ann McGuire	Cheryl Ann Thompson

The Centennial Committee

Mr Stewart Simpson — People's Warden
Mr A. D Bordan — Rector's Warden
Mr Jim Cunningham — Lay Reader
Mr Vern Nelms

Added to the committee were the presidents of the organizations:

Mr Alvin Westgate — President of R.O.A.C.
Mrs. Ina Nelms — President of A.C.W
Mrs. Barbara Wills — President of Evening Fellowship
Mrs Ann Westgate — President of Altar Guild
Mrs William Moss — President of Ladies Guild

The History Committee

Mrs Bert Simpson, who spent many hours in research in order to write the history of the parish.

Mrs Ralph Cooper and Mr William Moss who assisted in the arranging and proofreading of the history

The History Committee is grateful to Mrs. Lillian Washburn for all the typing done in preparation of the manuscript.

Church Officers, 1969

Rector's Warden	Mr A. D Bordan
People's Warden	Mr Stewart Simpson
Vestry Clerk	Mr Paul Westgate
Treasurer	Mrs. Mary Mills
Lay Delegates to Synod	Mrs. Mary Mills Mr Norman Lugg
Sub Delegates	Mr Ernest Showler Mrs Ralph Cooper
Board of Management	Mr J Cunningham Mr "Bud" Mayhew Mr V Nelms, Mr John Livingston, Mr Alyn Kemp Mr "Ted" Wills, Mr Paul Westgate.

The Sanctuary of St John's Church — 1969

Church Organizations, 1969

Chancel Guild	President, Mrs. P. Westgate
Church School	Superintendent, Mr B. McGuire
Brotherhood of Anglican Churchmen	President, Mr A. Westgate
Anglican Church Women	President, Mrs V Nelms
Evening Fellowship	President, Mrs J Wills
Ladies Guild	President, Mrs W Moss
Choir	Choir Mother Mrs. S. Simpson
Organist	Mrs Frank Dill

Honour Roll of St John's Church

1914 - 1918

Sgt. John Tait
Corp Alfred Sutton
Sgt R. M. C Bulteel
Pte Edwin Biddiss
Pte Ralph Biddles
Pte E. S. Bramhead
Pte. H. G Cavalier
Pte. George Cottle
Pte Wm Dorman
Pte M. Golding
Pte. Harry Hailstone
Pte Wm. C Hawes
Pte A. W Hopkins
Gunner Sydney Hudson
Pte Stephen Johnson
Pte. Harry Keating
Pte H. F Liddington
Pte R. G Lovell
Pte. Chas Mates
Pte. J R. Marshall
Pte Geo McCracken
Pte Thos. Sibert
Pte. John Sperling
Pte G W. Smith
Pte Thomas Thorne
Pte. Thos. Harper
Pte. W J Newman
Pte E T Newman
Pte F C Smith
Gunner Lewis Dalgety
Gunner Harry S. Mees
C.R.N.R. Frank Sillett

1939 - 1945

Pte. Glen Clark
Pte Thomas W Diamond
Dr L. W M. Freele
Pte Wm G Ford
Pte. H E. Morgan Freele
Doris M Godley R N
Pte Rev J. H. James
Pte Robt H. Millar
Pte Kenneth G Millar
Pte. Campbell E. Millar
Pte. Ernest Simpson
Pte David W Parke
Pte Richard H Pumblett
Pte Harold Pimblett
Pte. Thomas R. Showler
Pte Howard F Showler
Pte. Douglas F Simpson
Pte Ernest E. Showler
Pte Horace C. Wilson
Pte. Harvey F Walker
Capt. Lewis Dalgety

The Clergy Who Served

Reverend John Gunne	1848	1859
Reverend Clotworthy	1859	1861
Reverend Joel Wright	1861	1873
Reverend Geo Wyse	1873	1878
Reverend Wm. Hyndo	1878	1879
Reverend W J Taylor	1879	1882
Reverend Wm. Lowe	1882	1886
Reverend George Elliott	1886	1899
Reverend C. C Parton	1899	1899
Reverend F. W Hughes	1903	1904
Reverend Maurice Fitzmaurice Duff-Gordon	1904	1904
Reverend Ernest Dymond	1904	1908
Reverend E. Lee	1908	1912
Reverend C H. P Owen	1912	1916
Reverend T J Charlton	1916	1922
Reverend Wm Wilkins	1922	1926
Reverend T Hicks	1926	1926
Reverend J Atkinson	1926	1936
Reverend George Moore	1936	1936
Reverend W R. Cunningham	1936	1940
Reverend J James	1940	1941
Reverend R. M Weekes	1941	1950
Reverend Wm. Sewell	1950	1953
Reverend James Waring	1953	1956
Reverend E. C Ward	1956	1958
Reverend E. H. Adams	1958	—

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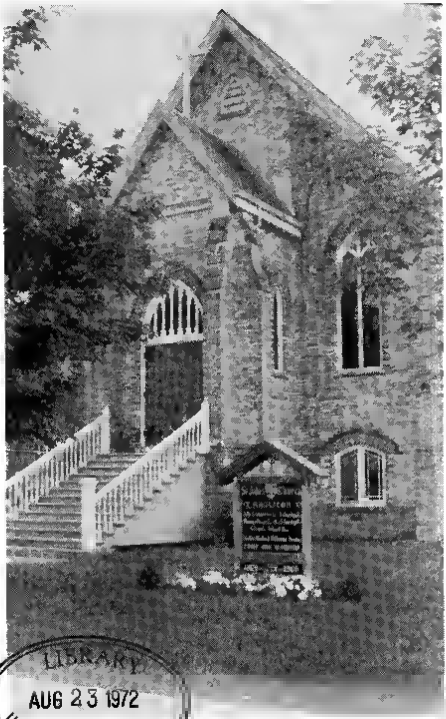

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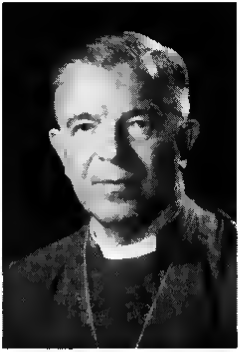

The Congregation of
St. John's Church,
Glencoe, Ontario

My Dear Friends

It is a pleasure to write a word of congratulations and good wishes for your Centennial Booklet. I have only known you as a church and congregation through the last quarter of a century but all that I know of you has been to your credit, and has caused me to admire you as a congregation because of the Christian spirit that motivates you, gives you a deep sense of unity, and moves you both along the pathway of missionary service and of recruitment for the ministry.

I pray that your days of celebration and thanksgiving may be very happy ones, with an ingathering of former members of the congregation, and the rededication of yourselves for the new century of unity and service ahead.

May God give to all of you His blessings of Church and family and home.

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Bishop of Huron

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Many years ago when Glencoe and its vicinity was just a swamp with miles of uncultivated land and the log houses of those first settlers were scattered at wide intervals apart, a man might be seen Sunday after Sunday, forging his way on horseback up to the door of an old farm house. He was a large, heavily built man, so that the small horse on which he rode, must many a time, have floundered in the marsh or stumbled on the rough road. The man never faltered in his mission, for inside that farm house a group of earnest men, women and children eagerly awaited his coming.

REV. JOHN GUNNE 1846 — 1859

This man was the Rev. John Gunne an Irishman, who was one of four missionaries sent out from the motherland about the year 1846 for the purpose of preaching the Gospel of Christ and establishing the services of the English Church. The field of labour assigned to these four men extended from London, on the east to the St. Clair and Detroit rivers on the west. Mr. Gunne ministered to the people of the districts of Florence, Bothwell, Wardsville, Newbury and Glencoe. This involved not only preaching the gospel, conducting weddings, baptism and funeral services but also the educational and legal problems of the times. He acted as superintendent of schools, examiner of schools, as family doctor, lawyer, solicitor and conveyancer.

The aforementioned house in which all the services of the Episcopal Church were held for Glencoe and vicinity, was that of John Walker, father of the late John S. and Mark Walker and grandfather of the late Isaac Walker. The house was situated a short distance west of Mr. Moss' residence on the north side of the railroad tracks. The late Mr. Walker was ever known as an earnest and zealous supporter of the Episcopal Church. His door was always open, his table spread and a hearty welcome was extended to every true minister of the gospel.

At the time that Mr. Gunne ministered to the people of this district, the Diocese of Toronto embraced all that territory from Toronto westward and was under the charge of Bishop Strachan. In 1857, the Diocese of Huron as it now stands, was set apart, under the Episcopate of the Bishop Cronyn.

Mr. Gunne remained in charge of his five parishes until 1859.

REV. CLOTWORTHY 1859 — 1861

By the time Mr Clotworthy became rector the local conditions were much improved. The railroad was built, and there was some attempt at road making Travelling was not quite the slow laborious task it had been. Mr Clotworthy gave up his ministry after a short period of two years.

REV. JOEL WRIGHT 1861 — 1873

Soon after Mr Wright's appointment in 1861, steps were taken towards the erection of a building that would serve as a place of worship A frame school house, (the land was given by the late Nathaniel Currie) was built, furnished and presented to the town by the late A P. McDonald and his partner, Randolph Ross This school house served a double purpose — an institution for learning during the week, and a place of worship on the Sabbath. The donors stipulated that all protestant denominations should be allowed to hold services there without favour or partiality

It was not until the year 1869 that the first church of England, the little old St John's was built. There must have been much determination and love for the cause, for such an achievement to be conceived and carried out The house known as 'Glen Hall' owned by the late A. P McDonald was thrown open and the host and hostess made all welcome This house is now the home of Mr and Mrs. W D J Moss A bazaar was given there at which a famous quilt made by the ladies brought a good price There was also a supper followed by one of the old time concerts. The combined efforts of all as well as with voluntary subscriptions the whole a mount of three thousand dollars was raised and the little church was free from debt. It was considered a very commodious and hand some structure It was situated on the same lot as the present church, but closer to Main and Concession Streets corner The land and also the bell were gifts from A. P McDonald

In 1870 a change was made in the organization of the united parishes Bothwell and Thamesville were united leaving the parishes of Wardsville, Newbury and Glencoe together

Mr Wright resigned as rector in 1873 He was succeeded by the following several clergy. Rev. Geo Wyse, who ministered until 1878. His successor, The Rev. Wm Hynde remained only one year In 1879 The Rev W. J. Taylor became rector until 1888

REV. WM. LOWE 1888 — 1895

Mr Lowe resided in Wardsville until 1892, when Glencoe was separated from Wardsville and Newbury and united with Appin Glencoe then had a resident minister

Another important event in Mr Lowe's time was the building of a new church The old church was somewhat out of repair and was thought to be neither large enough, nor suitable for its growing congregation The ambitious movement of building a new and handsome church was unanimously agreed upon.

A building committee, consisting of Dr Lumley, Richard Coad, George M Harrison, George Parrott, John Simpson, John Oldrieve, W S Rogers and N F Currie was formed Under their supervision work commenced The estimated cost of the new St John's amounted over $8,000 00 As it was impossible to raise the whole amount at once, a mortgage of $4 000.00 was placed as a debt upon the church

The building of the church was finished in 1893, but there was still much to be thought of. The organ had not been arranged for, and it was hardly considered advisable to undertake any extra expense, at that time However, owing to the personal efforts of Mrs W D Moss, who herself collected the money, a handsome pipe organ was bought and paid for, and installed by the time the church was opened.

As time went on, many contributions were made towards furnishings and beautifying the building The white walls were decorated, a handsome oak table supplanted the old one and a brass lectern in memory of Queen Victoria was added The chair which was placed near the reading desk was a personal gift from the Rev and Mrs. Dymond

Mr Lowe resigned in 1895 to be succeeded by the following clergy Rev George Elliott the Rev C C Purton, the Rev E W Hughes, the Rev Maurice Fitzmaurice Duff-Gordon, the Rev Ernest Dymond

REV E LEE 1908 — 1912

It was during the last year of Mr Lee's ministry that a final effort was made to clear the debt Various methods were resorted to, such as bazaars, tea socials, concerts, talent teas, etc. Year by year the mortgage was gradually reduced Again Mrs Moss was an active

ST JOHN'S CHURCH
COMPLETED IN 1893

worker and collector. The contributors gave liberally and the mortgage was paid.

Mr. Lee resigned in 1912.

REV. C. H. P. OWEN 1912 — 1918

Soon after Mr. Owen's arrival in February, 1912, St. John's Church was consecrated. The late Messrs. John Oldrieve and Isaac Walker were the wardens at this time. At 5:30 o'clock a high tea, as it was called then, was served to members of the congregation, visitors and clergy. This was followed by speeches. At eight o'clock, the congregation and clergy withdrew to the church where the consecration took place. The late Bishop Williams preached an eloquent sermon from the text "This is the House of the Lord." He spoke of man, as essentially a religious being. Worship, he said, is a necessity to him and the churches and temples which in all ages have been erected are material evidences of man's faith in his Creator. The strong nations are the nations to whom religion is a living truth, while materialism alone means death. In conclusion he left his hearers with these words of advice: "Be loyal to Christ, Be harmonious, Be Missionary."

For some years the rectory was located on Concession Street, the house now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Dymond. The church now being free of debt, plans were made for the purchase of a rectory. It happened at that time, the estate of the late John McNeil was being settled. The house that is now the present rectory was offered for sale. One of the faithful members of the church, Mr. Thomas Strong, loaned the money, $1 000.00 and asked only for the interest as long as he lived. This was paid by the Ladies' Guild. At his death, the rectory became church property. Mr. Strong also left money for the beautiful memorial window at the back of the church.

In April 1913, one of the faithful members, Mrs. Ruth Dalgety passed away after one week's illness. She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Oldrieve. One of the brass offering plates is in her memory, and the other plate is in memory of the departed members of the Guild.

Two years later, in June, the congregation was again startled to hear of the sudden passing of Mrs. Moss. She had been organist for many years. One Sunday morning after singing in the choir, she took

ill and passed away suddenly The beautiful window at the front of the church was placed there in her memory by friends and fellow worshippers

In 1915, Mrs Owen organized a Woman's Auxiliary in conjunction with the Ladies' Guild. Later the Woman's Auxiliary became a separate organization holding meetings twice a month, as it does at present. The Ladies' Guild was responsible for the upkeep of the rectory

Miss Ruth Owen organized the Junior Auxillary

Mr Owen resigned in 1918

REV T. J. CHARLTON 1918 — 1922

The congregation in Appin had now become so small that the church was closed. This church was located on the corner of the Appin Road and Main Street Appin The Appin members then attended Glencoe Church

In 1919 a reading desk was given as a memorial from the Blackburn family, in memory of Miss Emily Blackburn

Mr Charlton resigned in 1922 and was followed by the Rev'ds Wm Willans, T Hick, and J Atkinson

In 1927 the alms basin was presented by Mrs J E Roome and was dedicated in memory of her husband Glencoe was now united with Wardsville and Newbury

REV GEORGE MOORE 1930 — 1935

During his tenure, a glass cruet was dedicated in memery of Mr John Tait, a faithful member of the choir Mr Moore remained through the difficult years of the depression, keeping the church alive

REV. W. B. CUNNINGHAM 1935 — 1940

By the time Mr Cunningham arrived the church and parish hall were bedly in need of decoration. In 1939 money was still scarce but the task was accomplished by many volunteer members of the congregation. At the same time, a hardwood floor was laid in the chancel, with money left by Mrs Roome The church flag and Union Jack were dedicated and placed in the archway of the chancel. The Reredos came from St James Church, Wardsville

Mr Cunningham resigned in 1940

REV. J. JAMES 1940 — 1941

Mr. James remained the rector for one year and then enlisted as an R.C.A.F. instructor, and then as a chaplain in world war II.

REV. R. M. WEEKES 1941 — 1950

In 1942, Mr. Weekes dedicated the Altar Cross which was given in memory of the Blackburn family. Mrs. Weekes reorganized the "Little Helpers." The parish hall was redecorated. The Young Women's Group was organized, during the last year of Mr. Weeke's ministry. This group of very fine workers did much towards the improvement of our church. Besides giving many donations they remodelled and equipped the kitchen. They also renovated a room which had not been used for some years, to be used as a committee room.

In 1950 one of our faithful members, Mr. Peter Loosemore passed away. He left the church one thousand dollars, stipulating that one hundred dollars be spent each year for ten years. The silver bread box was dedicated in his memory in 1951.

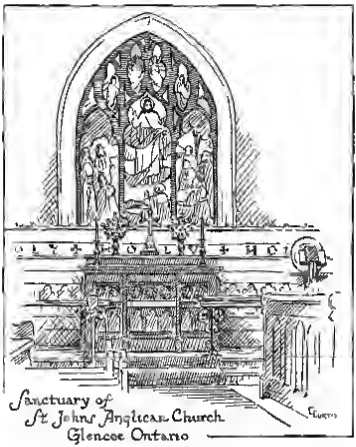
REV. WM. SEWELL 1950 — 1953

By the time Mr. Sewell arrived the Wardsville church had been closed for some years, and was eventually torn down. The few remaining worshippers held services in the Presbyterian Church. However, the members became so few, that the services were discontinued leaving only Glencoe and Newbury together.

It was during Mr. Sewell's time, that we learned that the church tower was condemned and that it should be taken down. With many regrets and much expense, this was done. With its removal we lost the church bell which had summoned worshippers to God's House for over eighty years. The parish hall was redecorated and a washroom installed.

Mrs. Williams presented the church with a new heating system in 1953, and it was dedicated in memory of her husband, Mr. John Williams. A plaque indicating the dedication is on the south wall of the naive.

During Mr. Sewell's time, the men of the church organized a brotherhood group known as the "A.M.I.A." club (Anglican men in action). Mr. E. A. Mayhew was the first president. Later, the group was to become a local chapter of the Diocese of Huron B.O.A.C. (Brotherhood of Anglican Churchmen). As time went on more and



This sketch of the sanctuary was made by Miss Curtis of St Thomas.

more men were wearing the Shield of St George, which identified them as a member of the R.O.A.C.

REV. JAMES WARING 1953 — 1956

During Mr. Waring's tenure, the church was redecorated, the floors sanded and new carpet was laid. A set of book marks in colours to match the hangings was a gift of Miss Hilda Eliott of Detroit. Two beautiful altar cloths were also gifts — one the work of Mrs. R. M. Weekes, the other of Mrs. Boss. Gifts to the Sunday School included six tables and several chairs purchased from money left by Mr. J. N. Currie. A projector and screen were gifts from Mrs.

E. A. Mayhew, and Sunday School offering plates were given by the the late Mr Parke

The Girls' Auxiliary was organized.

Mr Waring resigned in 1956

REV E. C. WARD 1956 — 1968

Mr Ward encouraged an active A.Y.P.A. The Sunday School processional cross was a gift from Richard Mills and his son Walter The brass candlesticks were a gift from the Young Women's Group

In April 1957, the Brotherhood assumed the responsibility of publishing the first 'Church Messenger," a monthly issue to inform the readers of the activities of the various church organizations.

The serving of dinners to the Rotary Club by three groups of the Young Women's Group and the Ladies' Guild continued each Thursday. Equipment was purchased for the kitchen, and with assistance from the Newbury Guild necessary items for the rectory At this time there was an active "Girls' Auxiliary," "Junior W.A." and "Little Helpers."

In September 1957, the choir and congregation remained after church to present a gift to Mrs Blacklock who retired after many years of faithful service as organist. Her duties were taken over by one of our own girls, Mrs. Frank Dill daughter of Mrs. Savil Simpson and the late Mr Simpson

In the same fall, a cub pack was formed, and sponsored by the Young Women's Group This included boys of 8 to 12 years from all denominations This is still an active group

An Every Member canvass of the congregation was made in October 1957

In 1958 the congregation welcomed a new member, Mrs. Richard Mills, a graduate of the Anglican Womens' Training College, Toronto

Two pieces of furniture were placed in St. John's church, Mr and Mrs. A. D Berdan made the gift of a coat rack in memory of their son Mr Richard Mills presented book shelves.

The Young Womens' Group held its first Garden Fete' in June which has been an annual event since The purpose of this was a social gathering of the church families and friends Gaily decorated booths of the various organizations were added features and supper

was served on the lawn, when weather permitted.

A Server's Guild of ten boys was formed The Chancel Guild was reorganized with eight members There are now twelve The services of these groups are much appreciated by the congregation every Sunday.

In July 1958 a Building Committee and a Finance Committee were set up in relationship to a new proposed addition to the rectory. With voluntary help financial assistance from the various church groups the Ramsey estate, the Newbury parish and member's donations, the work proceeded The kitchen was torn down, and a new one-story wing built, also a new bathroom installed upstairs The job was almost completed at the end of 1958 In February 1959 "Open House" was held when the parishioners could see what had been accomplished. By August 1958 all costs in connection with the building were paid (approximately $5 300 00).

In January 1959 a Scout Troop was formed — sponsored by the Brotherhood This included boys of ages 12 to 17 years from all denominations This too is still an active organization. Space does not permit us to mention the names of all the faithful leaders and helpers from all denominations.

In the early fall a Junior Choir of children ten years and over was formed The envelope system came into use in the Sunday School.

In connection with the Every Member canvass it was decided to join the Sector project. The results were very rewarding, not only financially, but in the spirit of good will and fellowship

A Girl Guide company was sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary replacing the Girls' Auxiliary This included girls 12 years and over, from all denominations This company is still active and have had many fine leaders The Jr W A and 'Little Helpers" continued

Presentations to the church were two Hymn Boards from Richard Mills and his son Walter A brass processional cross was given by Mrs Edith Williams

In February 1961 a brass plaque was dedicated in memory of the late Mr and Mrs. Isaac Walker This was a gift from their cousin, Mrs Wood, and the Ladies' Guild.

The new Prayer Book came into use

In the same year four men from our parish were preparing for the ministry, they were Grant Ward Arthur Lloyd David Ward

and Walter Mills The Young Women's Group presented each of them with a yearly "twenty-five dollar book grant."

The church chimneys were repaired, and the parish Hall and vestry were decorated.

The year 1962 marked the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Woman's Auxiliary in Canada. A number of our W.A. members attended the Diocesan Annual in St. Paul's Cathedral, London. Approximately one thousand women attended the communion service.

Two brass vases were given by Mrs. Bernice Winkle, and dedicated in memory of her father, Mr. Dennis O'Brian.

On October 1st, St. John's Woman's Auxiliary presented Mrs. Ward with a Diocesan Life Membership and pin.

In May 1963, Mr. Arthur Lloyd, the first of our four men studying for the ministry was made a Deacon in St. John's Church by the Rt. Rev. W. H. H. Crump, Bishop of Saskatchewan. Before leaving to serve at Meadow Lake, Sask. The Rev. and Mrs. Lloyd and family were presented with gifts.

The new entrance to the rectory was completed, the trim on the outside of the church was painted, and the kitchen in the parish hall was decorated.

August 3rd, 1963, Christ Church, Newbury observed its centennial. The congregation and choir of St. John's joined them at their Sunday services. The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev. A. M. Ramsey was present and several of the past clergy took part.

The Young Women's Group adopted a Viet Namese child, under the 'Foster Parents' plan."

A Brownie pack was organized in St. John's. This included girls of all denominations, age 8 to 11 years, and was sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary, replacing the Jr. W. A. This group remains very active.

Grant Ward, son of the Rev. E. C. Ward and Mrs. Ward was made a Deacon in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, Ont. on May 17th, 1964.

The Ladies' Guild expressed its appreciation to Mr. Percy Wall for his generous contribution of the new cement step at the front of the rectory.

The year 1965 marked the 50th anniversary of St. John's Woman's Auxiliary.

A beautiful set of white hangings was donated to St. John's

by the Chancel Guild. These were dedicated at the Easter service. Mrs. Sadie Mayhew also donated a beautiful Altar cloth.

The brick on the rectory were sand blasted. The Ladies' Guild was responsible for painting the trim on the rectory, iron railings and porch lights.

"The Young Women's Group' was changed to 'Evening Fellowship."

The Outside Christmas Scene, 'The Open Bible, with the Christmas Story,' was given by Mr. Ted Tart, Mr. Richard Mills, and Mr. Douglas McRae. The scene is kept lit throughout each Christmas season.

In 1966 Alvinston and Inwood were added to the Glencoe and Newbury charge. The Inwood church was closed and the congregation worshiped with the Alvinston congregation. St. John's, Glencoe, received a gift of communion vessels from Inwood.

The "Evening Fellowship Group" purchased three stacking tables.

On May 22nd, an impressive service was held in St. John's when David Ward, and Walter Mills were made Deacons by the Rt. Rev. H. F. Appleyard, Bishop of Georgian Bay. The rector Rev. E. C. Ward, and father of David, preached the sermon. Other clergy assisted in the service. Following the service lunch was served in the parish hall. The ministers from the local churches were present and spoke briefly. Stoles were presented to each of the candidates. There was an estimated attendence of four hundred.

In June, 1967, at the Anniversary service, a plaque bearing the names of six men who have entered the ministry from St. John's was dedicated by the Rev. Lionel Nelles, secretary-treasurer of the Diocese of Huron. This plaque was the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mills and bore the following names: Ronald Bulteel, Henry Charlton, Arthur Lloyd, Grant Ward, Walter Mills and David Ward.

The cross on the church was erected and dedicated.

The "Woman's Auxiliary" became the 'Anglican Church Women.'

The Canadian flag was purchased and hung in the church.

In June, 1968, our rector the Rev. E. C. Ward, who had served the parish for over eleven years, resigned.

REV. R. H. ANIONS 1968 —

Mr. Ward was followed by the Rev. R. H. Anions. During the

summer months, the rectory was redecorated, new carpets laid and aluminum storm windows and door installed. This was made possible by much volunteer labour from each of the congregations legacies and generous donations. The storm windows and door were the gift of an anonymous donor.

A new church sign was built and erected to replace the old one.

In February, 1969 Mr. and Mrs. Amons held "Open House" at the rectory.

A meeting of the "Centennial Committee" and the Board of Management was held to discuss and decide upon certain projects which should be accomplished during 1969. It was decided that the interior of the church be completely cleaned and redecorated by professional people.

The front part of the Chancel was extended out on both sides of the church, and the pulpit so arranged as to be more sturdy and convenient.

The Sunday School

St. John's Sunday School continues its good work for the young under the capable leadership of Mr. Bev McGuire, the Sunday School Superintendent. His staff of teachers consists of the following people:

Mrs. Bev McGuire	Miss Mary Dzyngel
Mr. Alvin Westgate	Miss Marian Dill
Miss Louise Westgate	Mrs. Doug Simpson

1969 Confirmation Class

On Sunday, April 27th, the following people were Confirmed by the Right Reverend George N. Luxton, the Lord Bishop of Huron.

Gary Douglas - Thorne	Lorraine Katherine - Smart
Bradford James - Keating	Bonnie Lorraine - Abbott
William David - Kemp	Joyce Irene - Anderson
Keith Alyn - Kemp	Pauline - Amons
Robert Malcolm - McNaughton	Mary Elizabeth - Winship
Thomas Hugh - McNaughton	Mary Lorraine - Simpson
David Charles - Nelms	Sheila Ann - Simpson
James Scott - Wills	Crystal Lynn - Thompson
Ruth Ann - McGuire	Cheryl Ann - Thompson

The Centennial Committee

Mr Stewart Simpson — People's Warden
Mr A D Berdan — Rector's Warden
Mr Jim Cunningham — Lay Reader
Mr Vern Nelms

Added to the committee were the presidents of the organizations:

Mr Alvin Westgate — President of B.O.A.C
Mrs Ina Nelms — President of A.C.W
Mrs Barbara Wills — President of Evening Fellowship
Mrs Ann Westgate — President of Altar Guild
Mrs William Moss — President of Ladies Guild

The History Committee

Mrs Bert Simpson, who spent many hours in research in order to write the history of the parish.

Mrs Ralph Cooper and Mr William Moss, who assisted in the arranging and proofreading of the history.

The History Committee is grateful to Mrs Lillian Washburn for all the typing done in preparation of the manuscript.

Church Officers, 1969

Rector's Warden	Mr A D Berdan
People's Warden	Mr Stewart Simpson
Vestry Clerk	Mr Paul Westgate
Treasurer	Mrs Mary Mills
Lay Delegates to Synod	Mrs Mary Mills
	Mr Norman Lugg
Sub Delegates	Mr Ernest Showler
	Mrs Ralph Cooper
Board of Management	Mr J Cunningham
	Mr 'Bud' Mayhew, Mr V Nelms, Mr John Livingston, Mr Alyn Kemp, Mr 'Bud' Wills, Mr Paul Westgate

The Sanctuary of St John's Church — 1969

Church Organizations, 1969

Chancel Guild	President, Mrs. F. Westgate
Church School	Superintendent, Mr B. McGuire
Brotherhood of Anglican Churchmen	President Mr A. Westgate
Anglican Church Women	President, Mrs V. Nelms
Evening Fellowship	President Mrs J. Wills
Ladies Guild	President, Mrs W. Moss
Choir	Choir Mother, Mrs S. Simpson
Organist	Mrs Frank Dill

Honour Roll of St. John's Church

1914 - 1918

Sgt. John Tait
Corp. Alfred Sutton
Sgt. R. M. C. Bulteel
Pte. Edwin Biddles
Pte. Ralph Biddles
Pte. E. S. Bromhead
Pte. H. G. Cavalier
Pte. George Cottle
Pte. Wm. Darman
Pte. M. Golding
Pte. Harry Hailstone
Pte. Wm. C. Hawes
Pte. A. W. Hopkins
Gunner Sydney Hudson
Pte. Stephen Johnson
Pte. Harry Keating
Pte. H. F. Liddington
Pte. R. G. Lovell
Pte. Chas. Males
Pte. J. R. Marshall
Pte. Geo. McCracken
Pte. Thos. Siberl
Pte. John Sperling
Pte. G. W. Smith
Pte. Thomas Thorne
Pte. Thos. Harper
Pte. W. J. Newman
Pte. E. T. Newman
Pte. F. C. Smith
Gunner Lewis Dalgety
Gunner Harry S. Moss
C.R.N.R. Frank Sillett

1939 - 1945

Pte. Glen Clark
Pte. Thomas W. Diamond
Dr. L. W. M. Freele
Pte. Wm. G. Ford
Pte. H. E. Morgan Freele
Doris M. Godley, R.N.
Pte. Rev. J. H. James
Pte. Robt. H. Millar
Pte. Kenneth G. Millar
Pte. Campbell E. Millar
Pte. Ernest Simpson
Pte. David W. Parke
Pte. Richard H. Pimblett
Pte. Harold Pimblett
Pte. Thomas R. Showler
Pte. Howard F. Showler
Pte. Douglas F. Simpson
Pte. Ernest E. Showler
Pte. Horace C. Wilson
Pte. Harvey F. Walker
Capt. Lewis Dalgety

The Clergy Who Served

Reverend John Gunne	1846	1859
Reverend Clotworthy	1859	1861
Reverend Joel Wright	1861	1873
Reverend Geo. Wyse	1873	1878
Reverend Wm Hynde	1878	1879
Reverend W J Taylor	1879	1888
Reverend Wm. Lowe	1888	1895
Reverend George Elliott	1895	1899
Reverend C C Purton	1899	1903
Reverend E. W Hughes	1903	1904
Reverend Maurice Fitmaurice Duff-Gordon	1904	1904
Reverend Ernest Dymond	1904	1908
Reverend E. Lee	1908	1912
Reverend C H. P. Owen	1912	1878
Reverend T J Charlton	1918	1922
Reverend Wm Willans	1922	1925
Reverend T Hicks	1925	1926
Reverend J Atkinson	1926	1930
Reverend George Moore	1930	1935
Reverend W B. Cunningham	1935	1940
Reverend J. James	1940	1941
Reverend R. M. Weekes	1941	1950
Reverend Wm. Sewell	1950	1953
Reverend James Waring	1953	1956
Reverend E. C Ward	1956	1968
Reverend R. H. Anions	1968	

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The Command Command

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Church Officers' Bell

Church Membership, 1977

Church Roll	Members, 1977	Members, 1978
Resident Members	Resident Members	Resident Members
Non-Resident Members	Non-Resident Members	Non-Resident Members
Associate Members	Associate Members	Associate Members
Honorary Members	Honorary Members	Honorary Members
Total	Total	Total

Honor Roll of the Dead

1977

Mrs. Sally Fox	Jan. 2	Age 84
Mrs. Ruth Hamilton	Jan. 5	Age 72
Mr. Fred Wilson	Jan. 8	Age 68
Mrs. Mary Jones	Jan. 12	Age 79
Mr. Tom Smith	Jan. 15	Age 81
Mrs. Alice Brown	Jan. 20	Age 76
Mr. Bill Green	Jan. 25	Age 70
Mrs. Helen White	Jan. 28	Age 83
Mr. John Black	Feb. 3	Age 74
Mrs. Grace Lee	Feb. 7	Age 88
Mr. Robert King	Feb. 10	Age 65
Mrs. Dorothy Hall	Feb. 14	Age 77
Mr. Charles Young	Feb. 18	Age 69
Mrs. Ruth Allen	Feb. 22	Age 80
Mr. Edward Scott	Feb. 26	Age 73
Mrs. Margaret Adams	Mar. 1	Age 85
Mr. William Baker	Mar. 5	Age 71
Mrs. Elizabeth Nelson	Mar. 9	Age 78
Mr. George Carter	Mar. 13	Age 82
Mrs. Frances Mitchell	Mar. 17	Age 67
Mr. Henry Perez	Mar. 21	Age 75
Mrs. Virginia Roberts	Mar. 25	Age 86
Mr. Walter Turner	Mar. 29	Age 79

1978

Mrs. Ruth Hamilton	Jan. 3	Age 73
Mr. Fred Wilson	Jan. 7	Age 69
Mrs. Mary Jones	Jan. 11	Age 80
Mr. Tom Smith	Jan. 14	Age 82
Mrs. Alice Brown	Jan. 19	Age 77
Mr. Bill Green	Jan. 24	Age 71
Mrs. Helen White	Jan. 27	Age 84
Mr. John Black	Feb. 2	Age 75
Mrs. Grace Lee	Feb. 6	Age 89
Mr. Robert King	Feb. 9	Age 66
Mrs. Dorothy Hall	Feb. 13	Age 78
Mr. Charles Young	Feb. 17	Age 70
Mrs. Ruth Allen	Feb. 21	Age 81
Mr. Edward Scott	Feb. 25	Age 74
Mrs. Margaret Adams	Feb. 28	Age 86
Mr. William Baker	Mar. 4	Age 72
Mrs. Elizabeth Nelson	Mar. 8	Age 79
Mr. George Carter	Mar. 12	Age 83
Mrs. Frances Mitchell	Mar. 16	Age 68
Mr. Henry Perez	Mar. 20	Age 76
Mrs. Virginia Roberts	Mar. 24	Age 87
Mr. Walter Turner	Mar. 28	Age 80

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Mr. Fred Wilson	Jan. 6	Age 70
Mrs. Mary Jones	Jan. 10	Age 81
Mr. Tom Smith	Jan. 13	Age 83
Mrs. Alice Brown	Jan. 18	Age 78
Mr. Bill Green	Jan. 23	Age 72
Mrs. Helen White	Jan. 26	Age 85
Mr. John Black	Feb. 1	Age 76
Mrs. Grace Lee	Feb. 5	Age 90
Mr. Robert King	Feb. 8	Age 67
Mrs. Dorothy Hall	Feb. 12	Age 79
Mr. Charles Young	Feb. 16	Age 71
Mrs. Ruth Allen	Feb. 20	Age 82
Mr. Edward Scott	Feb. 24	Age 75
Mrs. Margaret Adams	Feb. 27	Age 87
Mr. William Baker	Mar. 3	Age 73
Mrs. Elizabeth Nelson	Mar. 7	Age 80
Mr. George Carter	Mar. 11	Age 84
Mrs. Frances Mitchell	Mar. 15	Age 69
Mr. Henry Perez	Mar. 19	Age 77
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